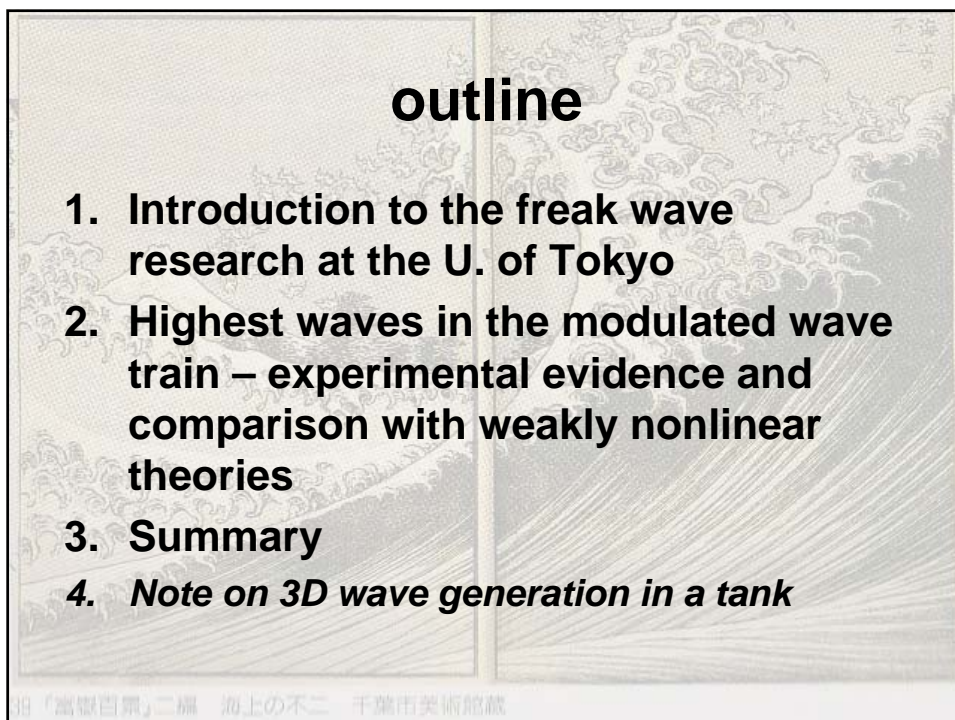


Experimental investigation and
applications of the modulational
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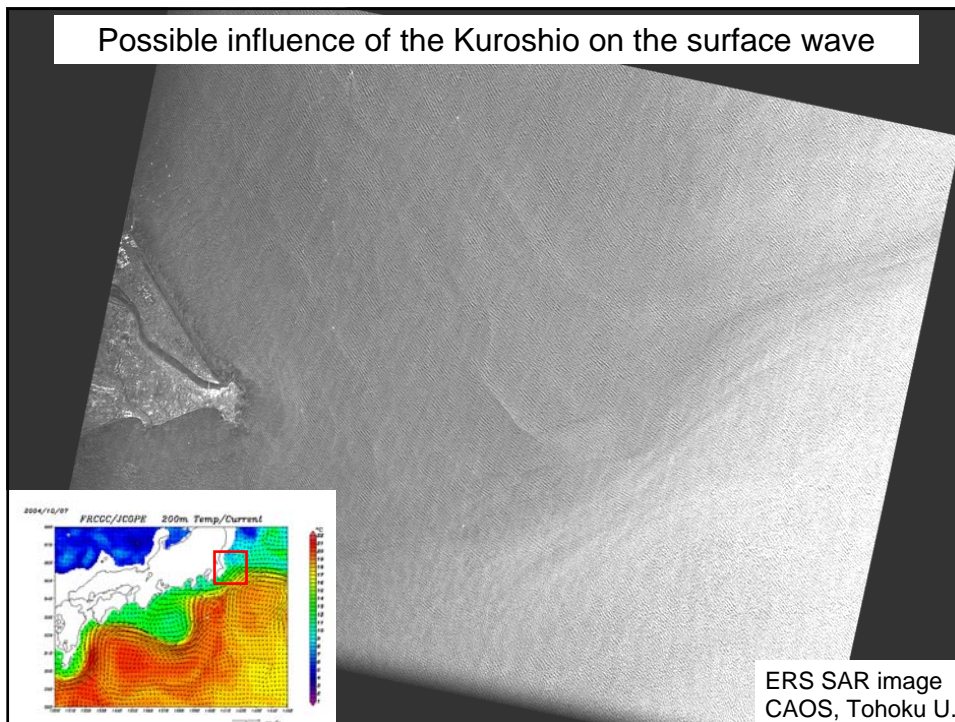
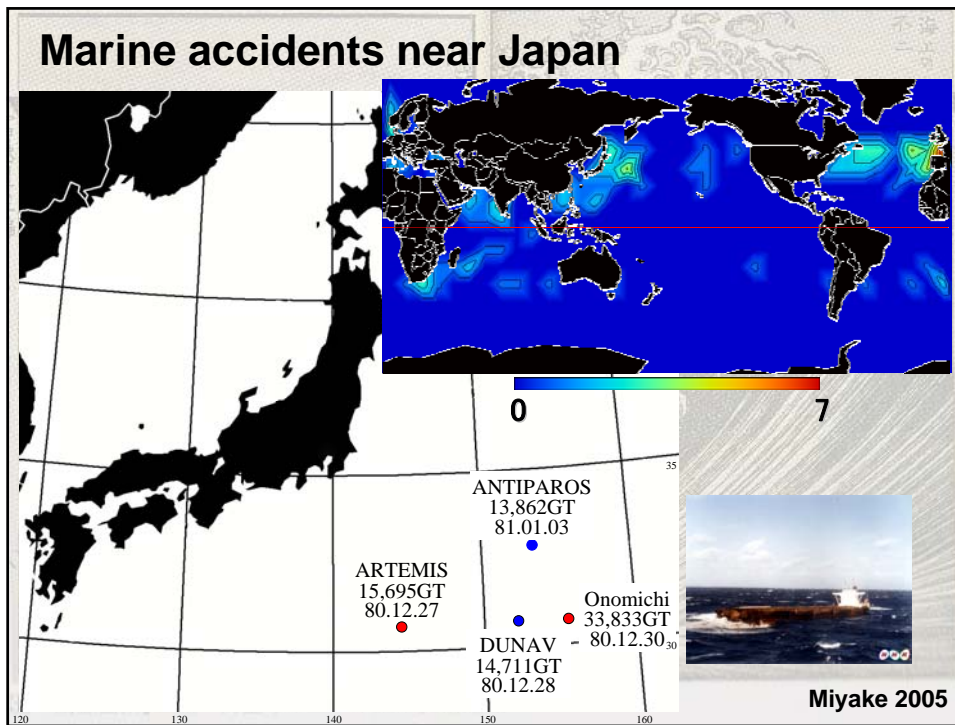
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outline

- 1. Introduction to the freak wave research at the U. of Tokyo**
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1. Freak wave research at the University of Tokyo with National Maritime Research Institute

funded project (2004-2007)

- **Group I: Mechanisms, detection and numerical simulation of the freak wave**

(Tomita NMRI, Kinoshita, Waseda, Kawamura, Rheem UT)

- Wave generation in tanks
- Radar experiments in tanks
- Numerical simulations

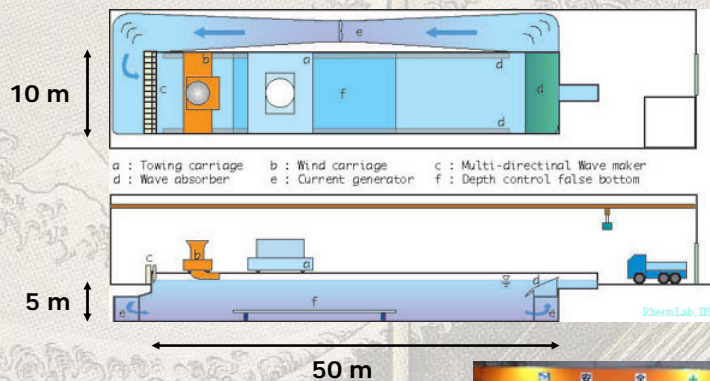
- **Group II: Extreme wave loads on ships and design of an avoidance system**

(Yuhara, Suzuki, Yamato, Kagemoto UT, Tanizawa NMRI, Miyake NK)

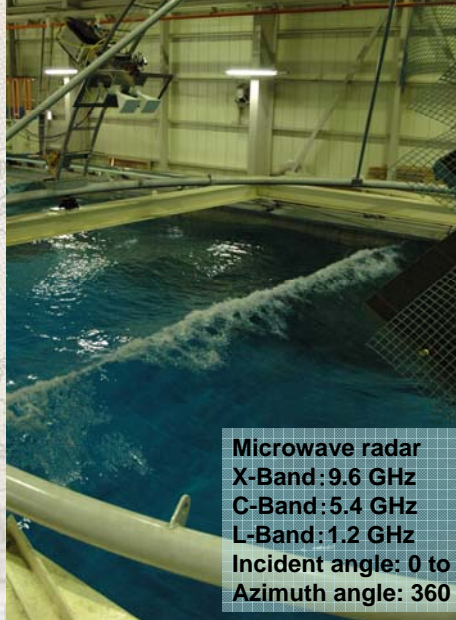
- Tank experiments
- Numerical simulations
- Avoidance system
- Marine accident record analysis

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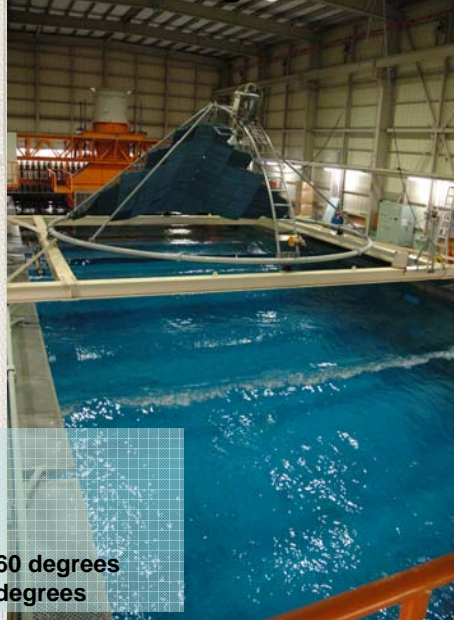
Ocean Engineering Tank Institute of Industrial Science, U. of Tokyo



Radar observation of breaking waves



Microwave radar
X-Band: 9.6 GHz
C-Band: 5.4 GHz
L-Band: 1.2 GHz
Incident angle: 0 to 60 degrees
Azimuth angle: 360 degrees



Wave generation in tank

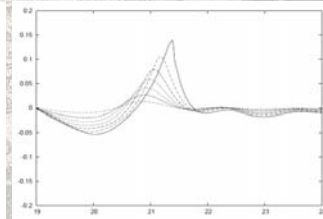
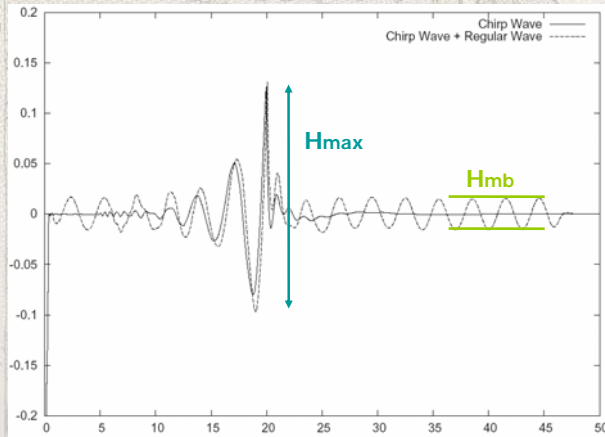
Extreme wave generation

1. Linear focusing wave + regular wave
2. BF instability wave
3. Solitary type waves
 - Soliton, Ma-soliton
4. 3D waves (in progress)

Directional wave maker
32 plungers
0.5~5 s wave period



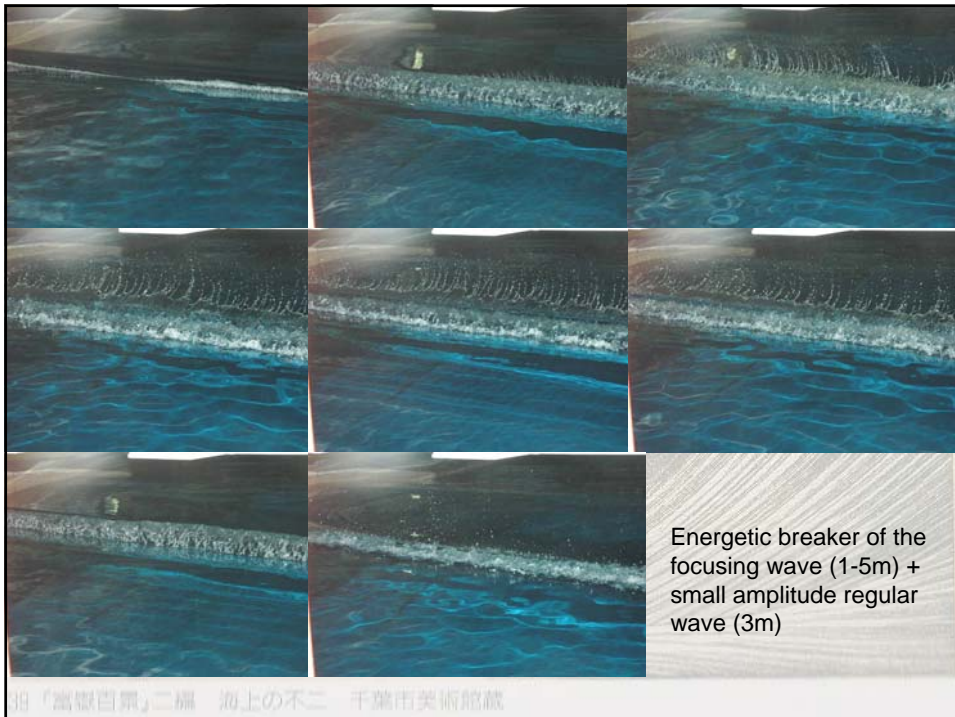
Combination of linear focusing wave and regular wave



Variety of H_{max} and H_{mb} combinations can be produced

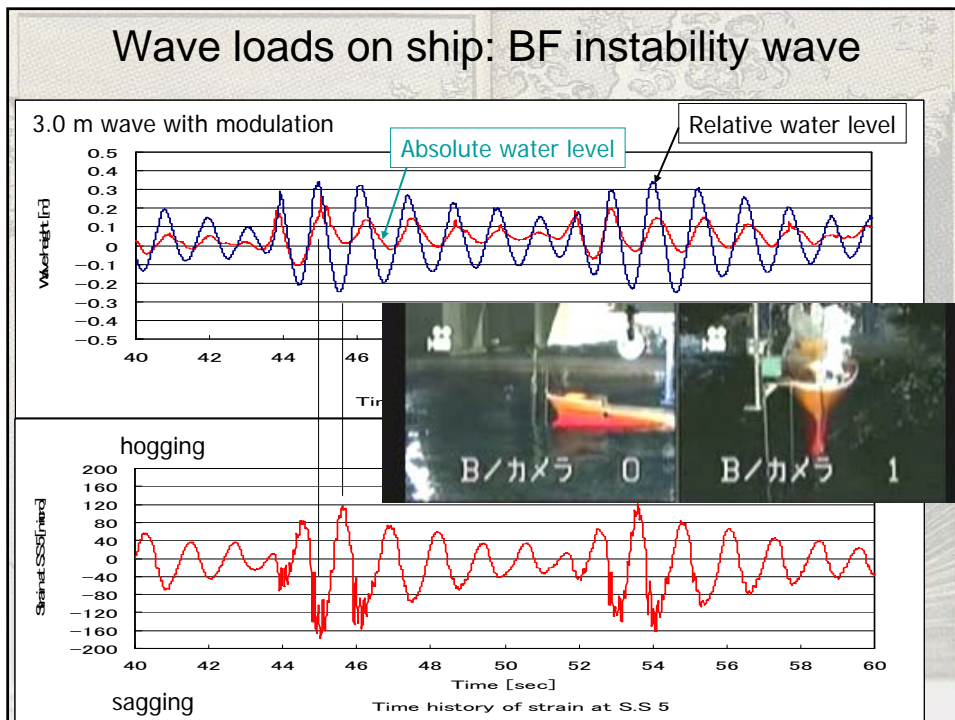
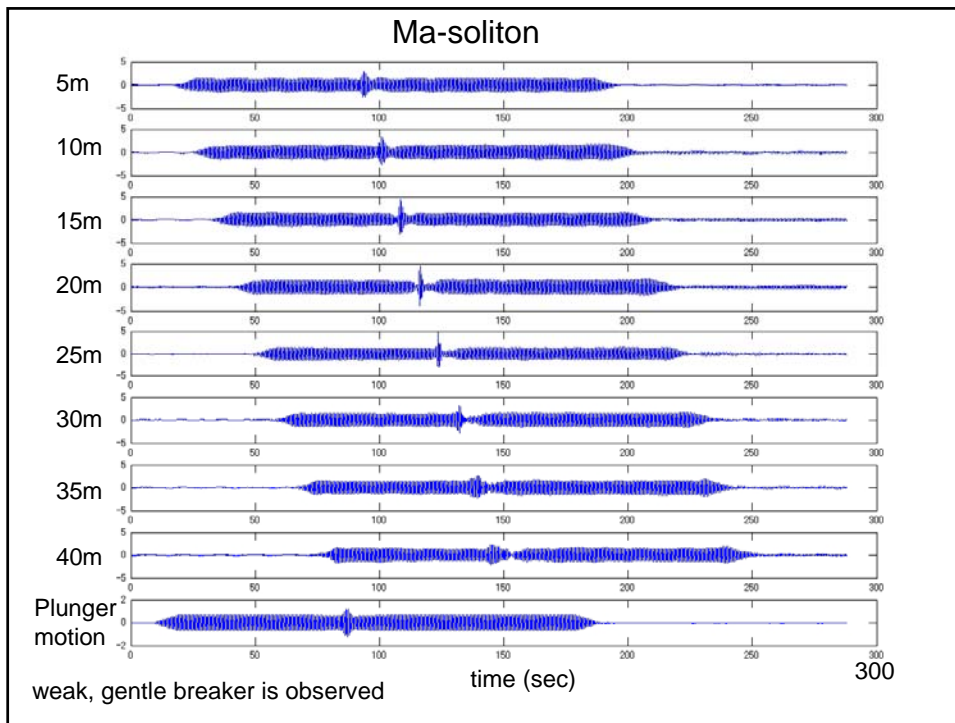
Focusing,
1m-5m waves
+
3m regular wave

Wave profiles are computed using fully nonlinear 2D numerical wave tank

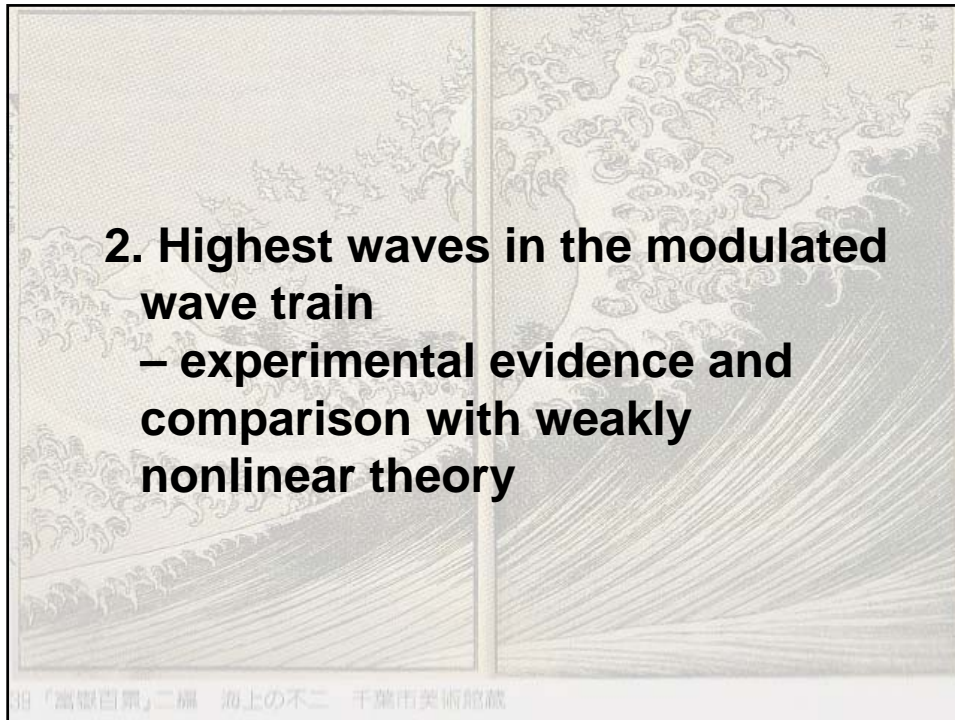


Energetic breaker of the focusing wave (1-5m) + small amplitude regular wave (3m)

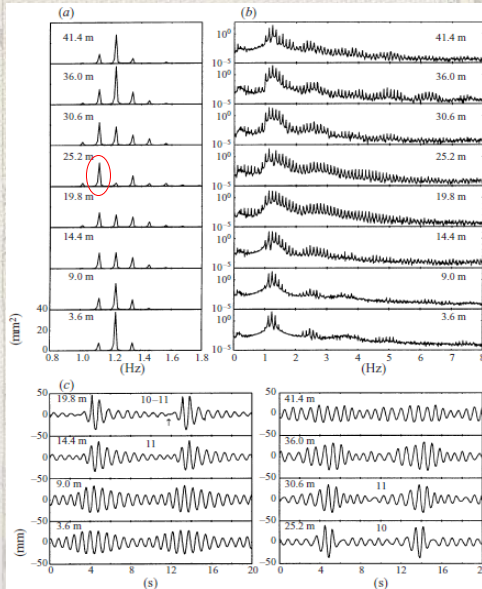
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2. Highest waves in the modulated wave train – experimental evidence and comparison with weakly nonlinear theory



Experimental works on the modulational instability – review



1967 Benjamin & Feir
“The disintegration of wave trains on deep water. Part 1. Theory”

1977 Lake & Yuen
Long-term evolution by seeded runs

1982 Melville
Spectral downshifting and breaking

1982, 1984 Su, Su et al
3D instability, wave pulse evolution

1986 Bliven, Huang & Long
influence of wind

1999 Tulin & Waseda
Long-term evolution over wide parameter ranges

1999 Waseda & Tulin
Initial growth rate; verification of theory

Tulin & Waseda 1999

Generating Benjamin–Feir Wave train in a tank

Plunger motion

$$\eta = a_c \cos(\omega_0 t) + b_+ \cos(\omega_+ t + \varphi_+) + b_- \cos(\omega_- t + \varphi_-)$$

$$a_0^2 = a_c^2 + b_+^2 + b_-^2$$

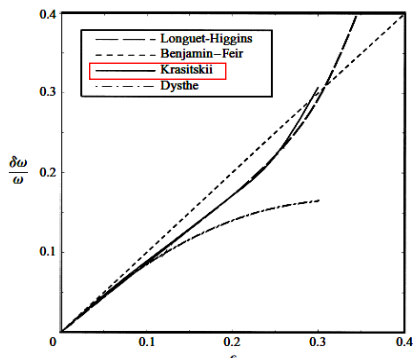
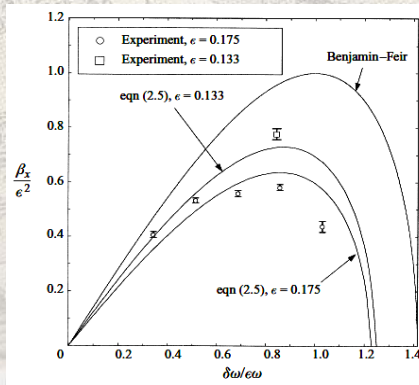
$$\omega_+ = \omega_0 + \Delta\omega$$

$$\omega_- = \omega_0 - \Delta\omega$$

$$\varphi_+ + \varphi_- = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

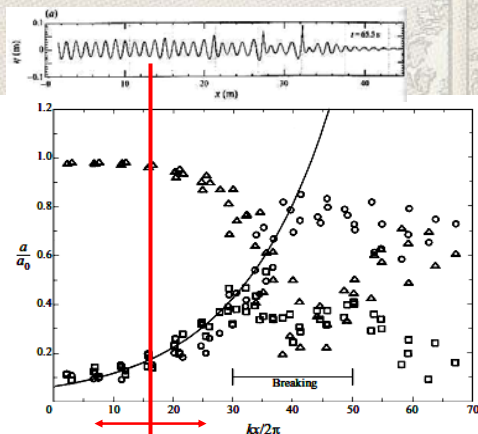
Control Parameter

$$\delta = \frac{a_0 k_0}{\Delta\omega / \omega_0}$$



Waseda & Tulin JFM 1999

To observe long-term evolution of the Benjamin–Feir Wave train



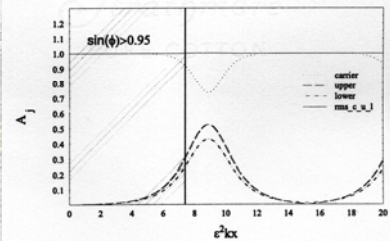
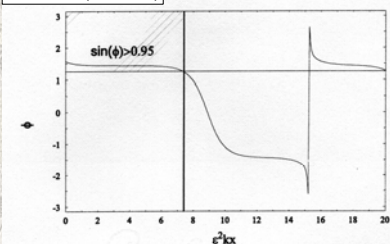
$$b_{\pm} / a_c$$

$$\eta = a_c \cos(\omega_0 t) + b_+ \cos(\omega_+ t + \varphi_+) + b_- \cos(\omega_- t + \varphi_-)$$

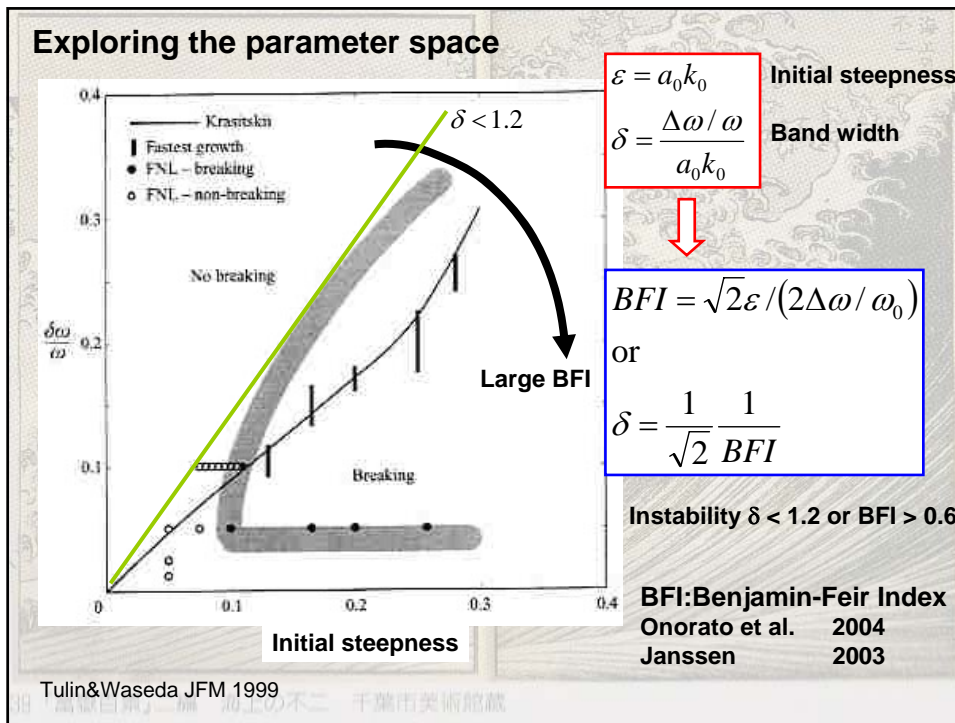
$$a_0^2 = a_c^2 + b_+^2 + b_-^2$$

$$\varphi_+ + \varphi_- = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\phi = 2\alpha - (\beta_+ + \beta_-)$$



Tulin & Waseda JFM 1999

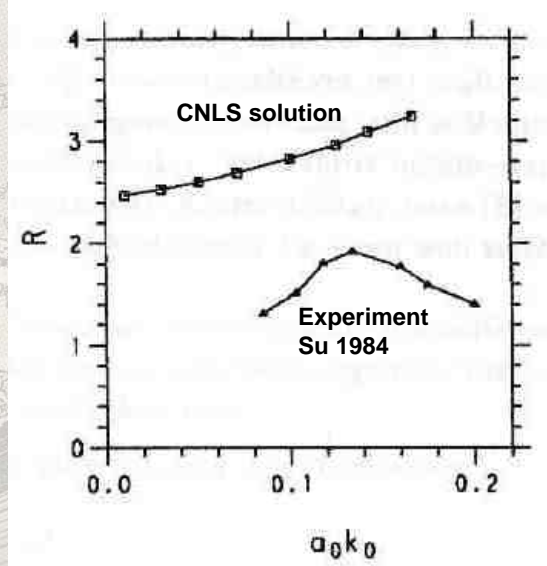


Is Freak/Rogue wave a breaking wave?

What is the role of breaking wave in determining the highest wave in a wave train?

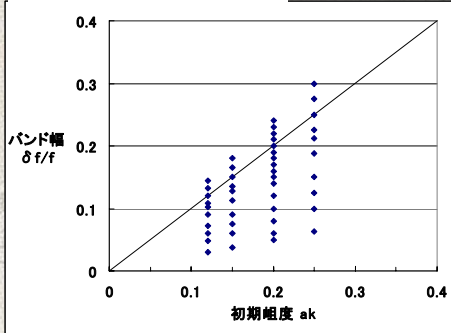
Maximum amplification of waves in a modulated wave train

$R = H_{\max}/2a$
Enhancement Factor



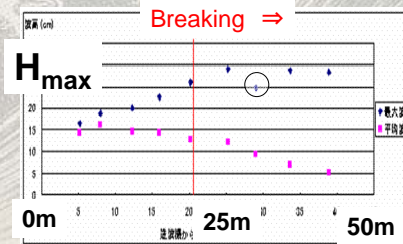
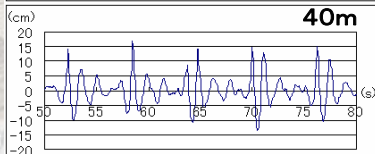
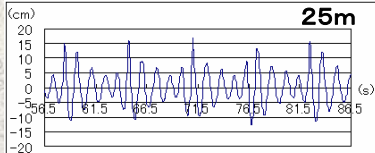
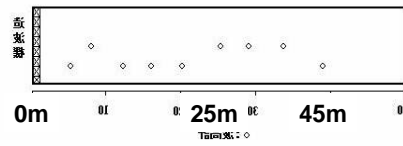
Tanaka 1990

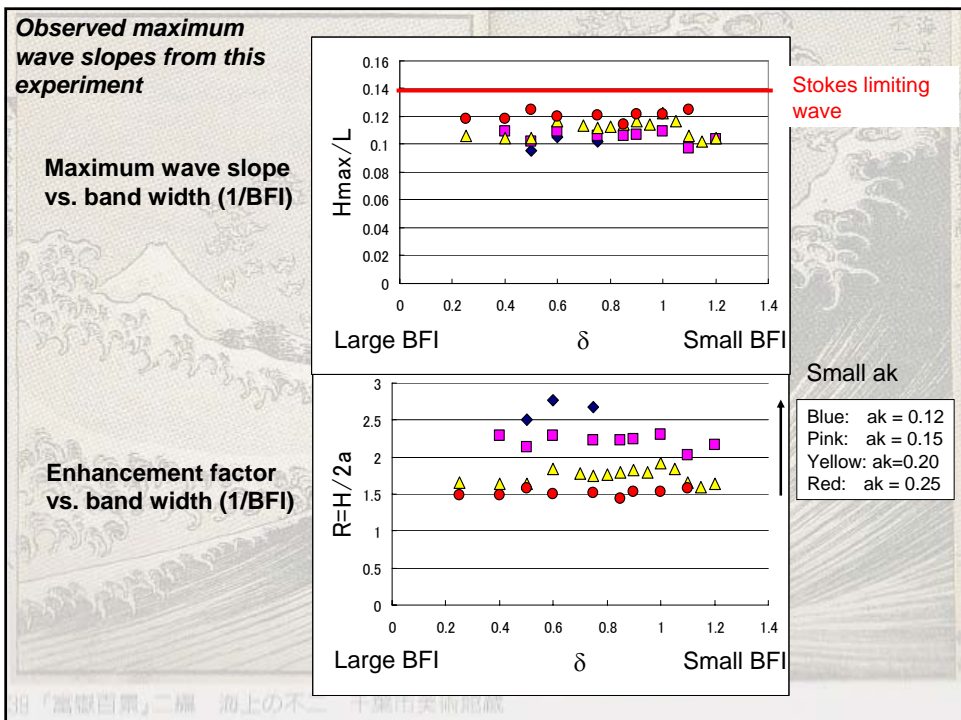
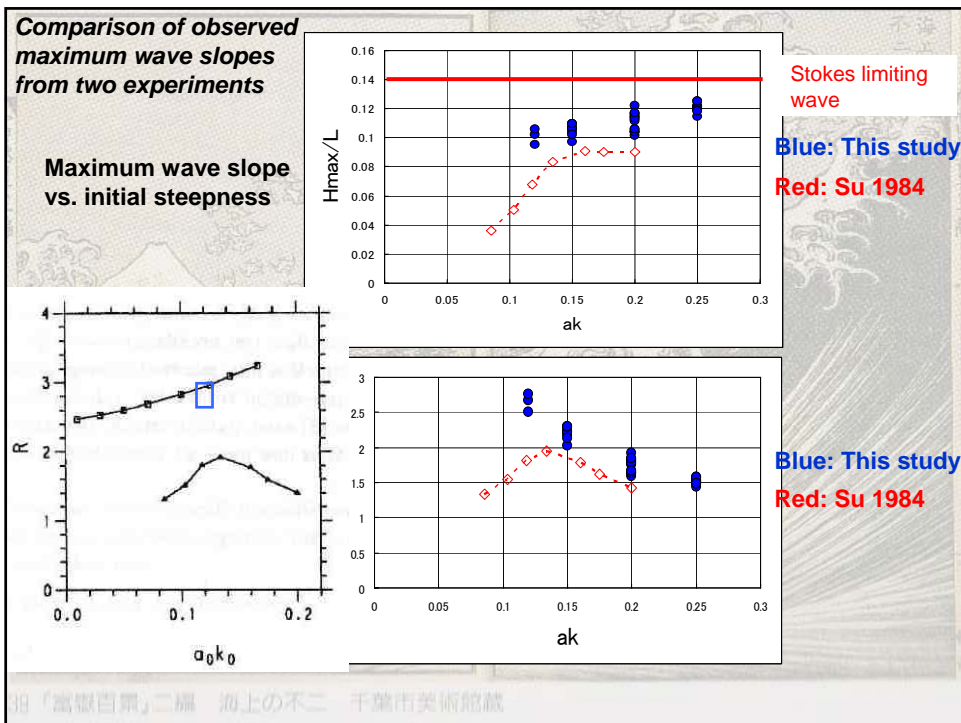
Parameter combinations



Tank Experiment

Wave-wire array





Numerical Solvers of the weakly nonlinear evolution equations

4 wave reduced equation (Krasitskii)

$$i \frac{\partial B_0}{\partial t} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}_0 + \mathbf{k}_1 = \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3} \tilde{V}_{0,1,2,3}^{(2)} \exp(i\Delta_{0+1-2-3}t) B_1^* B_2 B_3$$

$$\sigma_0 + \sigma_1 - \sigma_2 - \sigma_3 = \Delta_{0+1-2-3}$$

Dysthe's equation

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial \eta} + i\gamma \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial \xi^2} + i|A|^2 A + 8\epsilon\gamma|A|^2 \frac{\partial A}{\partial \xi} + 4i\epsilon\gamma A \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \xi} \Big|_{z=0} = 0$$

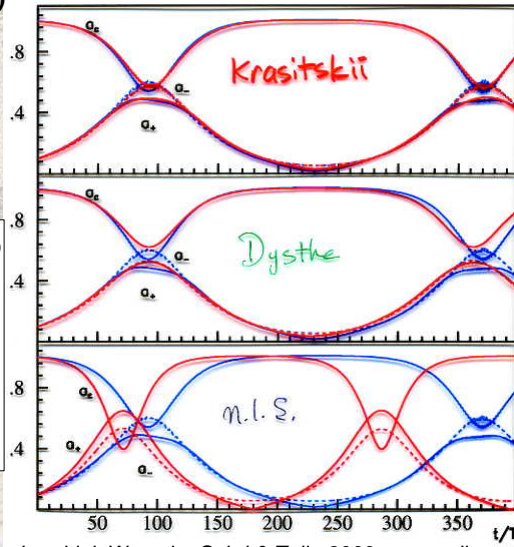
Cubic nonlinear Schrodinger equation

$$4 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2} = 0 \quad -\infty < z < 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} |A|^2 \quad z = 0$$

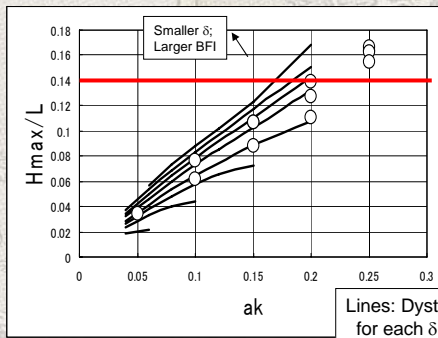
$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = 0 \quad z = -\infty$$

$ka_c = 0.1 \quad \delta k/k_c = 0.2$
EVOLUTION OF THE MAIN FOURIER COMPONENTS
FNL, Krasitskii, Dysthe, NLS



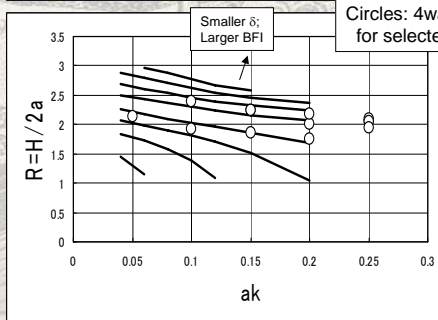
Landrini, Waseda, Oshri & Tulin 2000, proceedings

Maximum wave slope vs. initial steepness



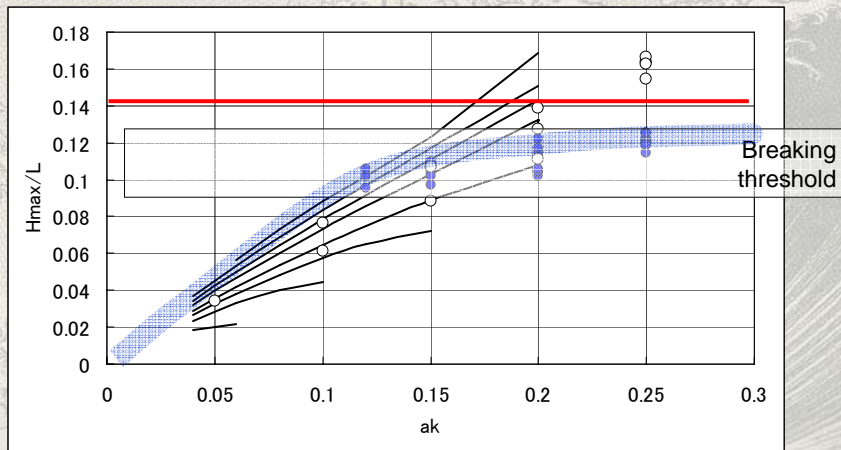
Stokes limiting wave

Enhancement factor vs. initial steepness



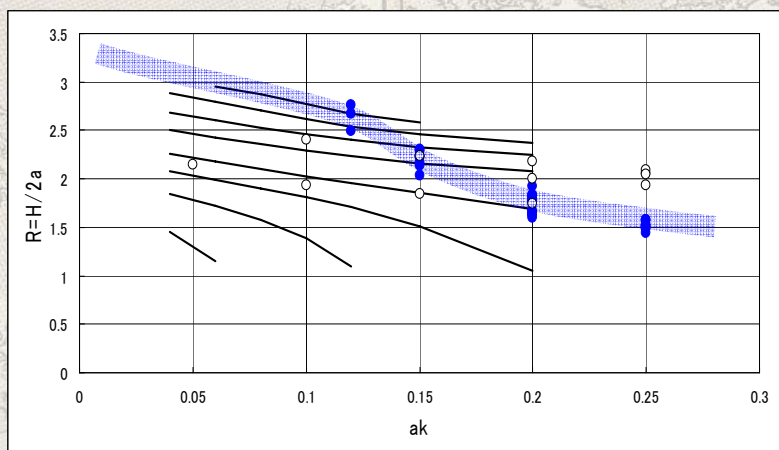
Lines: Dysthe's eqn, for each δ (0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0, 1.1, 1.2)
Circles: 4wave reduced eqn for selected δ

Comparison of experiment and weakly nonlinear solutions



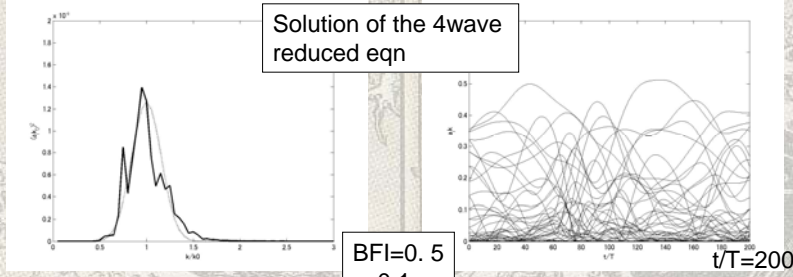
Lines: Dysthe's eqn
 Open Circles: 4-wave reduce eqn
 Blue Circles: Experiment

Comparison of experiment and weakly nonlinear solutions



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 Open Circles: 4-wave reduce eqn
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Applying the result in determining breaking condition



BFI=0.5
ε=0.1

Gaussian spectrum

$$W_{oi} = \frac{BFI}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{BFI^2}{4\varepsilon^2} P_i^2\right) \left(\frac{\Delta k}{k_0}\right)$$

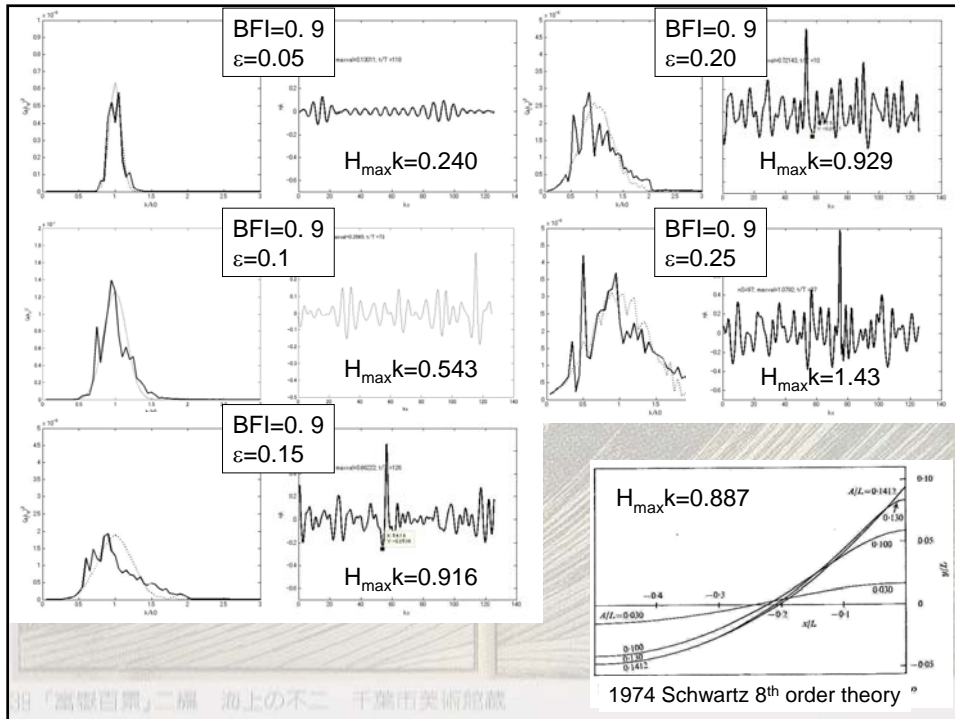
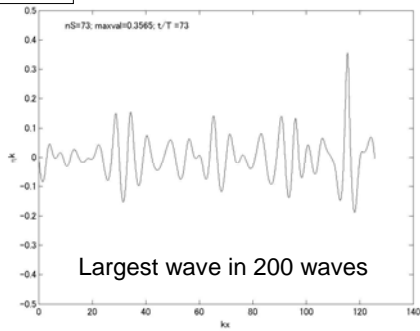
Wave shape in observed variable

Postulate the canonical transformation from $a(k)$ to $b(k)$ in the form of integral-power series:

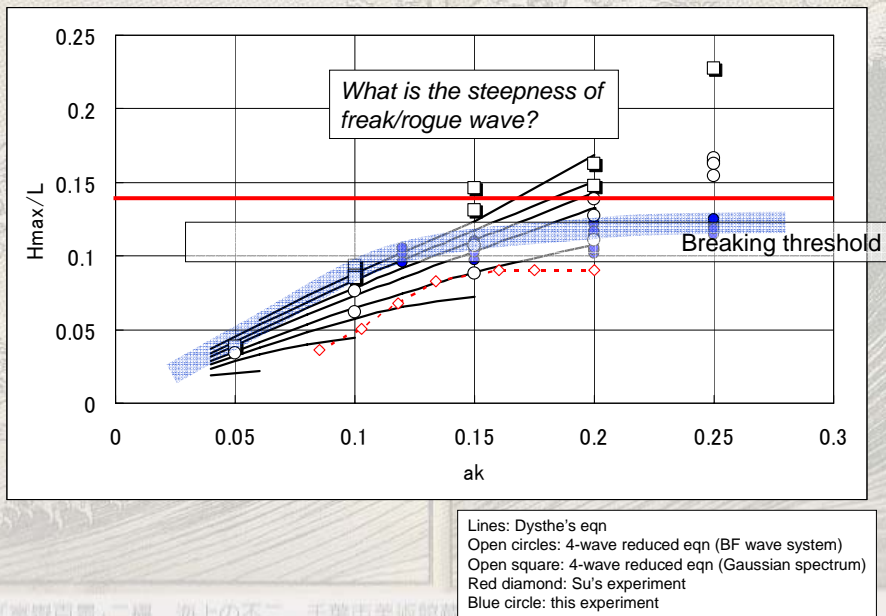
$$a_0 = b_0 + \int A_{0,1,1}^{(1)} b_1 b_1 b_{-1-1} dk_{11} + \int A_{0,2,2}^{(1)} b_2^* b_2 b_{-2-2} dk_{22}$$

$$+ \int A_{0,1,2}^{(2)} b_1^* b_1^* b_{-1-1-2} dk_{12} + \int B_{0,1,2,2}^{(1)} b_1 b_1 b_2 b_{-1-1-2} dk_{122}$$

$$+ \int B_{0,1,2,2}^{(2)} b_1^* b_1^* b_2 b_{-1-1-2} dk_{122} + \int B_{0,1,2,2}^{(3)} b_1^* b_1^* b_2^* b_{-1-1-2-2} dk_{1222}$$

$$+ \int B_{0,1,2,2}^{(4)} b_1^* b_1^* b_2^* b_{-1-1-2-2} dk_{1222}$$


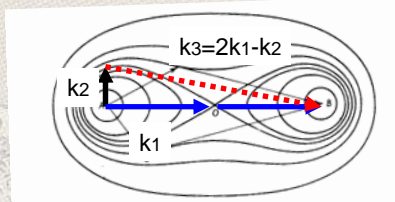
Summary Plot



3. Summary

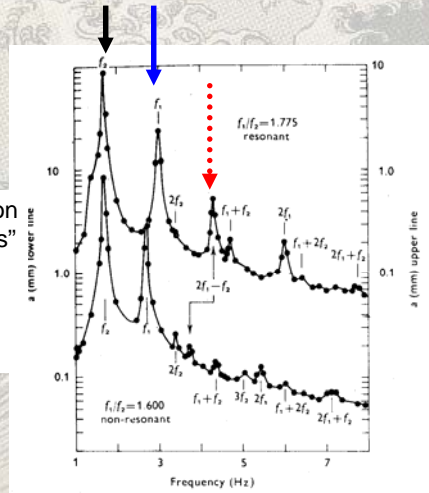
- Experiment on the BF-wave train covering a wide parameter space was conducted
- Comparison with weakly nonlinear theory indicates that the maximum wave height is limited due to wave breaking at higher steepness ($ak > 0.12$ or so)
- Breaking wave steepness is smaller than the Stokes limiting wave
- Application of the findings from the study of BF wave train was demonstrated for the evolution of Gaussian wave spectra, suggesting that some waves predicted by weakly nonlinear theory are breaking in reality
- *Future: Further tank investigation is planned to verify the continuous spectrum cases including directionality*

4. Note on the 3D wave generation in tank



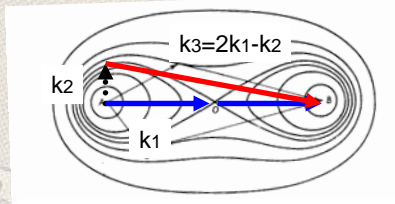
1966 McGoldrick, Phillips, Huang and Hodgson
 "Measurements on resonant wave interactions"

1966 Longuet-Higgins and Smith
 "An experiment on third order resonant
 wave interactions"



McGoldrick et al.

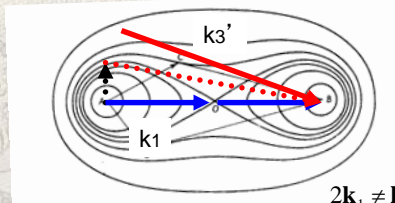
Satisfying the resonance condition



$$2\mathbf{k}_1 = \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3$$

$$2f_1 = f_2 + f_3$$

Not satisfying the resonance condition



$$2\mathbf{k}_1 \neq \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3'$$

$$|\mathbf{k}_3| = |\mathbf{k}_3'|$$

